GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:135
ANSWERED ON:28.11.2000
BIO-FERTILIZERS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Salt and Marine Chemical Research Institute, Bhavnagarhas developed an eco-friendly technology to convert marine algae into bio-fertilizers for commercial sale to boost the food production;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether some steps are under way to transfer this technology to industries interested in manufacturing the bio-fertilizers in liquid form of seaweeds; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMCIALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Parts (a) to (d) of the Lok Sabha StarredQuestion No. 135 for 28.11.2000 asked by Shri Sultan Salahuddin Owaisi

(a) to (d) : Central Salt and Marine Chemical Research Institute (CSMCRI), Bhavnagar have developed a process for the preparation of solid as well as liquid composition from marine algae, in particular Sargassum, having potential to boost food production. The process has been released for commercial exploitation and the know-how has so far been transferred to M/s. Herbal Agro Organics, Rajkot, Gujarat and M/s. AFE Industries, Nasik, Maharashtra, who are manufacturing and commercially marketing the product.